

The Heart of the Matter...

...Our Residents



*Al Wonderly
Residents of the Month*

Albert (Al) Wonderly was born April 14, 1937 to Ellsworth and Hazel (Ellis) Wonderly in Imperial, Nebraska.

Al attended country school most of his life then went to Chase County High School where he graduated with the class of 1955.

In 1956 he joined the Air Force and went to England shortly thereafter. While there he met his wife and brought her back to Nebraska. After a few years went by he moved to Denver, Colorado. They would come back to Nebraska for holidays and family reunions. At the family reunions they would go fishing. Al's great grandson, Brandon, was born a fisherman. He followed in his great grandpa's footsteps and still does today. At only 18 months he caught his first Nebraskan catfish and he was hooked just like his ole great grandpa. Catfish is the best fish to them

Al worked for a company named Sun Strand for a lot of years until they closed the plant. He went to live with his daughter, Bonnie in Greeley, Colorado. Even though there were more places to fish it was hard to find fish. When you did they were just so small compared to Nebraska. So he decided to pack up and move to Elwood, Nebraska for the two lakes there had plenty of

fish and the sizes were humongous compared to Colorado. There he settled down and fished daily--sun up to sun down and sometimes beyond that.

One day Bonnie came to Elwood to visit him but he wasn't home. Here came the sheriff and to her surprise he knew exactly where Al was and what time he would be back to town. He was out fishing and would be back to the Red Barn by 11 and sure enough he was. Yep out fishing! She felt pretty good knowing this. If Al ever had an accident they would go looking for him if he didn't keep to that routine. Yeah, living so far away from her dad, it was comforting to know everyone there kept an eye out for each other. The family will continue to visit him and his tradition of looking for the biggest catfish in the Elwood Lake. Al became part of the Elwood Care Center family on February 24, 2014. We are honored to have him as our September Resident of the month.



Elwood Care Center Board of Directors

*Chairman, Betty Koenig
Nina Anderson
Dick Bennett
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Getting to know our Staff.....



Kate Peterson is a Medication Aide in our Assisted Living. She has worked 17 years at Elwood Care Center and been in Long-Term care for 30 years.

She enjoys working with the residents and co-workers and visiting with residents and talking about the good old days. If we stop and listen we can learn from them.

Kate's hometown is Indianola, Nebraska. She has not had any relatives live at the Care Center.

She is married to John and they have one son, Kyle.

When not working she enjoys embroidery work, reading, enjoying every minute being a grandma.

Her favorite food at work is Beef Stroganoff and at home anything that John barbeques.

Her favorite vacation spot is Estes Park, Colorado. Kate does home health on her days off.



Welcome to ECC

New Residents

Jeweldine Gaibler
Beverly Huxoll

Staff Birthdays

LaVonne Tiede—5th
Grace Villa—7th
Pam Wescoat—22nd
Ryan Fiene—28th

Residents Birthdays

Grace Godfrey—13th
Jackie Gydesen—23rd
Mick Dawson—24th

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Excellence in Care & Compassion

Elwood Care Center & Assisted Living
2014 Resident Satisfaction Survey Highlights

100% of Assisted Living Residents Participated in the Survey

100% state they would recommend and ECC Assisted Living to others

- 100% agree that the building is comfortable and clean
- 100% reported that staff treats them with dignity and respect
- 100% agree that the food tastes good
- 100% state the organized activities meet their needs

Care Center Responses

26 of 37 Care Center Residents participated in the Survey. This is 100% of the "interviewable" census

- 100% state that the facility is clean, comments include "good gals in housekeeping"
- 100% report that the staff treats them with dignity and respect
- 100% report that the food tastes good and looks appetizing, comments "very good!" "good variety"
- 100% state that the staff provides privacy when they are being assisted
- 100% answered that they would recommend the Elwood Care Center to others.**

Comments Include:

"I really think the care is super great, food is good and nurses are super."

"We appreciate the care we get."

"I'm really happy here. It's quiet and the help doesn't insist that you do this or that, the food is good, if I need help, I always have it."

"Fine nursing home."

Areas identified for improvement include:

- Offering more whirlpool baths to meet resident preferences
- Offering more of a variety of organized activities
- Room temperature and comfort level-new boilers and chillers will be installed this fall.
- Additional staff will carry the nurse pagers to reduce the amount of time residents wait for their call light to be answered

2014 Family Member Satisfaction Survey Results

17 of 37 family members participated in the survey

100% state they would recommend ECC & AL

100% that the facility is clean

100% state their family member receives the assistance with dressing, grooming and mouth care that they need

94% state it is a comfortable building to live in

100% state staff treats their loved one with respect and dignity

Comments Include:

"We wouldn't want any other place for our loved one."

"Mom is very happy at your facility...she really likes it there. The staff is very friendly and helpful. Whenever I have been there the residents all seem happy and well cared for."

"The food is very good, what a nice buffet."

Thank you residents and families for your feedback. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you and we will work hard to maintain the high reputation ECC has had over the last 40 years. We will strive to go above and beyond in improving our services and care.

In Loving Memory



We would like to express our sympathy to the family of Don Hanson. A memorial service was held in his honor.

Staff Years of Service

1 year

Taylor Whittaker

12 years

Sheryl Brown

29 years

Patsy Martin



Elwood Care Center & Assisted Living September 2014 Event Calendar

Thursdays Are Beauty Shop Day

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
<p>7 9:15 Church 9:30 Communion Family Visits Grandparents' Day</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Grace V—B</u></p>	<p>1 <u>Labor Day</u> 9:15 Devotions Trivia 10:15 Refreshments</p>	<p>2 10:00 Merry Makers—Kim Eames Birth Day Dinner 1:30 Bingo (Win A Prize) 2:30 Refreshments 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>3 9:15 Devotions Paul Harvey 10:15 Refreshments 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 2:00 Our Redeemer Lutheran Church 3:00 Social Hour 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>4 Allen at the Organ 9:15 Devotions Wilbur Sayles & Words of Assurance 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 1:30 Patti Visits 2:30 Treats 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>5 9:15 Devotions Nebraska the Good Life 9:15 Small Group 10:00 Refreshments 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 1:30 Movie & Popcorn "Sleppy and the Slinkers" 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>6 11:00 Football Party Read A Book Day <u>Nebraska vs McNeese State ESPN</u> <u>ESPN</u></p>	
<p>8 9:15 Devotions Climb Every Mountain 10:00 Refreshments 1:30 Wii 4:00 Small Group 6:30 Wheel of Fortune 6:30 Moe Bandy—Part 1</p>	<p>9 9:15 Devotions Bingo (5 c day) 9:15 Small Group 10:15 Refreshments 1:30 Beauty Hour 2:30 Refreshments 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>10 9:15 Devotions Bible Study 10:15 Refreshments 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 2:00 First Christian Church 3:00 Social Hour 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>11 Allen at the Organ 9:15 Devotions Baking and Tasting 2:00 Terry Nichols Gospel Music 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>12 9:15 Devotions My Folks came in a Covered Wagon 9:15 Small Group 10:00 Refreshments 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 1:30 Movie & Popcorn "Dunston Checks In" 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>13 9:15 Devotions Card Bingo 10:15 Refreshments <u>Nebraska @ Fresno State 9:30 PM CBS Sports Network</u> <u>ESPN</u> Grace G—G</p>		
<p>14 9:15 Church 9:30 Communion Family Visits Housekeepers International Week</p>	<p>15 9:15 Devotions Morning on the Patio 10:00 Refreshments 1:30 Wii 4:00 Small Group 6:30 Wheel of Fortune 6:30 Moe Bandy Part 2</p>	<p>16 9:15 Devotions Bingo (Win A Prize) 9:15 Small Group 10:15 Refreshments 1:30 Allen Sing Gerri's cookies 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>17 9:15 Devotions Constitution and Pledge 10:15 Refreshments 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 2:00 Eustis United Methodist Church 3:00 Social Hour 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>18 Allen at the Organ 9:15 Devotions Find A Words 10:15 Refreshments 1:00 Patti Visits Treats 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>19 9:15 Devotions Outrageous Laws 9:15 Small Group 10:00 Refreshments 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 1:30 Movie & Popcorn "Snow Dogs" 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>20 <u>Nebraska vs Miami 7:00 PM ABC/ESPN/ESPN2</u> Eat An Apple Day</p>	
<p>21 9:15 Church 9:30 Communion Family Visits Pecan Cookie Day</p>	<p>22 9:15 Devotions Card Recycling 10:00 Refreshments 1:30 Wii 4:00 Small Group 6:30 Wheel of Fortune 6:30 Ray Stevens Classics <u>Pam W-B</u></p>	<p>23 <u>First Day of Autumn</u> 9:15 Devotions Bingo (Win A Prize) 9:15 Small Group 10:15 Refreshments 1:30 Penny Ante 2:30 Refreshments 6:30 Wheel of Fortune <u>Jackie G—B</u></p>	<p>24, 9:15 Devotions Jesus Lamb Preschoolers 4 yr olds 10:15 Refreshments 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 2:00 Elwood United Methodist Church 3:00 Social Hour 6:30 Wheel of Fortune <u>Mick D—B</u></p>	<p>25 Allen at the Organ 9:15 Devotions The Homecoming Kids 10:15 Refreshments 1:00 AL Meeting 1:30 All Staff Meeting 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>26 9:15 Devotions My Folks Claimed the Plains 9:15 Small Group 10:00 Refreshments 10:30 Exercise with Stacey 1:30 Movie & Popcorn "How the West Was Won" 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>27 9:15 Devotions Cards & Games 10:15 Refreshments World Tourism Day <u>Nebraska vs Illinois 8PM BTN</u></p>	
<p>28 9:15 Church 9:30 Communion Family Visits Gold Star Mother's Day</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Ryan F—B</u></p>	<p>29 9:15 Devotions Gardens of the World 10:00 Refreshments 1:30 Wii 4:00 Small Group 6:30 Wheel of Fortune 6:30 L. Weak</p>	<p>30 9:15 Devotions Over the Fence Visits 10:15 Refreshments 1:30 Bingo (Win A Prize) 2:30 Refreshments 6:30 Wheel of Fortune</p>	<p>Birthstone: Sapphire Flowers: Aster Color: Brown</p>				

Activity Calendar Approved by the Resident Council

Friends and Family Welcome

"Special Events"
2nd Merry Makers—Kim Eames
6th Football Party
7th Grandparents Day
11th Terry Nichols Gospel Singing

Sign Up Sheets for Monthly Shopping Trips, Senior Center Outings, and Van Rides are located at the Social Services Office. Make sure to sign up if you'd like to attend.

—Caring Hands 1:1 Visits Provided

Activity Director:
Carolyn Houser
Activity Assistant:
Rita Dornall